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1. PERSONNEL

(A) THE AGREEMENT REGARDING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE RED SEA LIGHTS IS ADMINISTERED BY THE UNITED KINGDOM GOVERNMENT; FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE (FCO) STAFF PROVIDE THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES REQUIRED. THERE IS NO INTERNATIONAL OR UK SECRETARIAT ESTABLISHED TO ADMINISTER OR OPERATE THE AGREEMENT.

(B) THE FCO INFORMS US THAT NONE OF THE FCO STAFF IS EMPLOYED FULL TIME ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT. COSTS FOR FCO SERVICES PROVIDED TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT ARE BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE OF WORKING TIME THE FCO EMPLOYEE SPENDS WORKING ON IT.

(C) THE ONLY STAFF EMPLOYED, IN ADDITION TO THE
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PART TIME SERVICES OF THE FCO STAFF, ARE THE UK GOVERN-

MENT AGENTS AT ASMARA, THE LIGHT KEEPERS AND ATTENDANTS.

2. FINANCE

(A) THE RED SEA LIGHTS FINANCIAL YEAR BEGINS APRIL 1 AND ENDS MARCH 31. THE TOTAL COST OF MAINTAINING THE LIGHTS FOR THE 1974/75 FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1975 WAS 81,035 POUNDS STERLING (191,000 DOLLARS AT 1 POUND STERLING EQUALS 2.35 DOLLARS - AN APPROXIMATE EXCHANGE RATE FOR 1974/75 FINANCIAL YEAR). THE ESTIMATED COST FOR THE 1975/76 FINANCIAL YEAR IS 95,000 POUNDS STERLING (195,000 DOLLARS AT CURRENT RATE OF EXCHANGE - 1 POUND STERLING EQUALS 2.05 DOLLARS).

(B) A BREAKDOWN OF THESE COSTS FOLLOWS:

RED SEA LIGHTS	ACTUAL	ESTIMATED
ANALYSIS OF COSTS	EXPENDITURE	EXPENDITURE
1974/75	1975/76 (1)	
(POUNDS)	(POUNDS)	
ADMINISTRATION COSTS AT ASMARA (SAVON AND RIES)	7,507	8,500
LIGHTKEEPERS AND ATTENDANTS (WAGES)	7,334	6,000
LIGHTKEEPERS AND ATTENDANTS (RATIONS)	2,946	5,000
PURCHASE OF BATTERIES IN UK AND SHIPPING COSTS TO ASMARA	3,213	3,000
TRAVELLING AND SUBSISTENCE, LIGHTKEEPERS AND ATTENDANTS	188	500
PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, STORES AND MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS OF EXPENDITURE	6,123	6,000
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PAINTING AND GENERAL MAINTENANCE	4,161	2,500
HIRE OF TENDER VESSEL	40,575	45,000
BRITISH GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION COSTS	8,988	11,000

REPUBLIC 1972/73)
1973/74) 368.23 POUNDS STERLING
(900 DOLLARS)

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